

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 13-16 stand rejected in the above-identified patent application. Claim 6 is objected to. Claims 2-5, 7, and 9-12 are allowed. Claim 6 is being rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 13-16 are being amended to depend from claim 6. Claim 1 is being cancelled.

In view of the above amendments, the Applicant respectfully asserts that the present application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of claims 2-7 and 9-16 is respectfully requested. No additional fees for filing this response are believed to be due. However, if such fees are due, including additional fees for an extension of time, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the additional fees to deposit account no. 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,



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